

## **CONNECT CHRISTIAN CHURCH CODE OF REGULATIONS (“REGULATIONS”)**

### **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this congregation shall be Connect Christian Church (“Church”).

### **ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

To maintain public worship, provide biblical instruction, and promote the Kingdom of God according to His Holy Word. The Bible shall constitute the only and all-sufficient rule of faith and practice for partners of this congregation.

Connect Christian Church is a local autonomy and is not connected with any state, national or international ecclesiastical religious or quasi religious organization or corporation.

### **ARTICLE III: PARTNERSHIP**

**SECTION 1.** Partnership of Connect Christian Church shall consist of persons who have heard the Scriptural testimony of Christ, believed without reservation that Jesus Christ is the only Son of God, repented of their sins, confessed His name before witnesses, been buried with Him in baptism (immersion) and thus resolved to abide by the teachings of Christ as presented in the New Testament.

**SECTION 2 – ACTIVE PARTNERS.** A record of partnership of all partners should be maintained. All partners shall be considered active partners who have supported this Church as follows:

- A. Committed themselves to this Church and the authority of the Elders, and
- B. Maintain regular attendance at Worship Service(s) (Heb 10:25) during the previous six months.

**SECTION 3 – VOTING PARTNERS.** In order for a partner to be entitled to vote in any partnership meeting, the partner must meet the following qualifications:

- A. Be an active partner as described in **ARTICLE III** (in case of extended illness or other extenuating circumstances, these conditions may be waived by the Elders);
- B. Be an active partner for six months, and
- C. Be at least eighteen years of age.

**SECTION 4 – INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION OF PARTNERSHIP.** The Senior Minister or an Elder can recommend the revocation of a partner’s status to the

Board of Elders. This should be done after the Senior Minister or the Elder has met with the partner to review the conduct issue(s) that warrants revocation of partnership (Matt 18:15-17, Romans 16:17-18, and Titus 3:10-11). If the conduct issue(s) has not been resolved in a reasonable time, the Board of Elders, in consultation with the Senior Minister, will determine if the partner's conduct warrants partnership revocation. The Board of Elders along with the Senior Minister will then meet with the partner to inform the partner of their revocation of partnership. If the person repents and resolves their conduct issue(s), the partner can submit a request for reinstatement of partnership to the Board of Elders (Galatians 6:1 and Romans 15:1-3). If the decision is made by the Board of Elders to reinstate a partner's partnership status, then a record of the events will be placed in the partner's file and he/she will be reinstated on a probationary period of 90 days.

**SECTION 5 – OTHER TERMINATION OF PARTNERSHIP.** Partnership shall terminate upon death, resignation, or transfer of partnership.

#### **ARTICLE IV: ELDERS, DEACONS, SENIOR MINISTER, STAFF, AND TRUSTEES**

**SECTION 1 – BOARD OF ELDERS (“ELDERS”, “ELDERSHIP”, “DIRECTORS”).** The Eldership of the Church shall be composed of such men as shall be qualified to meet the Scriptural requirements of such office as found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9. These men are to be an active partner as described in **ARTICLE III**.

Elders shall be appointed by the process detailed in **ARTICLE VIII**. In the event that a vacancy occurs, the Elders may choose to either leave the vacancy unfilled or appoint a successor to serve.

Elders, who have been appointed for the first time, must be ordained by the active Elders. If an Elder has been ordained in Connect Christian Church, it is not necessary for him to be ordained again if he vacated the office for a period of time, provided he has remained an active partner.

A minimum of three Elders should be maintained.

The Board of Elders is the governing body (“Board of Directors”) of the Church and consists of its actively serving Elders. The Elders shall have the power and authority to make rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Ohio, Scripture, and this Code of Regulations. The Elders shall manage the business affairs of the corporation, oversee all matters concerning the conduct of public worship, and it shall concert the best measures for promoting the spiritual

growth of the congregation. It shall receive, dismiss, and exercise discipline over the partners of the Church, supervise the activities of the Deacons and all other organizations of the congregation, and have final authority over the use of the Church property.

The Elders shall have final authority for affairs pertaining to property and other temporal matters as required by civil law for nonprofit corporations. In particular, the Elders shall be responsible for the acquisition and disposition of Church property, which includes the management of its financial resources. Neither the Elders nor its delegates shall have the power to buy, sell, mortgage, pledge or in any manner encumber any Church property worth more than \$5,000, nor to incur any indebtedness exceeding the sum of \$5,000, unless first authorized to do so at a Board of Directors meeting, either through the adoption of the annual budget or by special action of the Board of Directors. The Elders may delegate to the Deacons or to other active partners such of these responsibilities as it deems appropriate.

The Elders shall meet at least quarterly and shall convene at the call of any two partners of the Elders, or upon its own adjournment. Either oral or written notice, including the date, time, and place of a meeting, shall be given at least two days before a meeting. If mailed, notice shall be deemed to be effective the day after the letter is postmarked. Notice may be waived either orally or in writing. An Elder's attendance at a meeting waives his right to object to lack of notice or defective notice of the meeting, unless at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon arrival), he objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting, and does not vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting.

A quorum is two actively serving Elders, if there are three or more, or one actively serving Elder if there are fewer than three. In no case may the Elders conduct its business with fewer than two actively serving Elders present who are entitled to vote.

The act of a majority present at an Elders meeting at which a quorum is present (when the vote is taken) shall be the act of the Board of Elders. An Elder shall be deemed to have approved of an action taken if he is present at a meeting of the Elders unless: (1) he objects at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon arrival) to holding it or transacting business at the meeting; or (2) his dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or (3) he did not approve the action and he delivers written notice of dissent or abstention at the meeting before its adjournment or immediately after adjournment of the meeting.

The Elders may establish such committees as it deems necessary for the work of the Church. Upon presenting just cause to an Elder(s) by an active partner of the Church and based upon the recommendation of an Elder(s), a person may be

removed from any committee if the Board of Elders determines that the actions of that person reflect negligence, poor judgment, disrespect, harm, or damage to the character and reputation of the Church.

**SECTION 2 – BOARD OF DEACONS (“DEACONS”, “DEACONSHIP”).** The Deaconship of the Church shall be composed of such men as shall be qualified to meet the Scriptural requirements of such office as found in 1 Timothy 3:8-13 and Acts 6:1-7. These men are to be an active partner as described in **ARTICLE III**. The Deacons shall be under the guidance of the Elders.

Deacons shall be appointed by the process detailed in **ARTICLE VIII**.

In the event of a vacancy, the Elders may choose to either leave the vacancy unfilled or appoint a successor to serve.

If a Deacon has been ordained in Connect Christian Church, it is not necessary for him to be ordained again if he vacated the office for a period of time, provided he remains an active partner.

**SECTION 3 – SENIOR MINISTER.** The Senior Minister shall be a partner of the Church of Christ or Christian Church (non-denominational) and must believe without reservation in the full and final inspiration of the Bible to the extent that it is to him the infallible Word of God and therefore the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice. He must believe unreservedly in the Deity and Supreme authority of Christ. Upon accepting a ministerial position with the Church, the individual must transfer his partnership to this congregation.

The Senior Minister shall be responsible to the Elders for faithfully preaching the Word of God, providing biblical vision and direction for the congregation, overseeing and coordinating the day-to-day ministry of the congregation, and oversight of all Staff Partners. The salary and allowances of the Senior Minister shall be agreed upon by the Elders and the Senior Minister.

**SECTION 4 – STAFF PARTNERS (“STAFF”).** Staff Partners shall be a partner of the Church of Christ or Christian Church (non-denominational) and must believe without reservation in the full and final inspiration of the Bible to the extent that it is to them the infallible Word of God and therefore the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice. They must believe unreservedly in the Deity and Supreme authority of Christ. Upon accepting a staff position with the Church, the individual must transfer their partnership to this congregation.

Staff Partners shall answer to the Senior Minister for the performance of their duties and their character and conduct. The salary and allowances of the Staff Partners shall be agreed upon by the Elders and Senior Minister and the Staff Partner.

**SECTION 5 – BOARD OF TRUSTEES (“TRUSTEES”).** The Trustees shall keep the following records: 1. Minutes of the partnership meetings, including a record of the administration of the Church and changes in the partnership of the congregation; 2. Minutes of the partnership meetings of the congregation; 3. Rolls of the partners in the congregation, with the dates of their reception; 4. Resolutions adopted by the Board of Elders; 5. Appropriate accounting records; 6. The Church’s articles or restated articles of incorporation and all amendments to them currently in effect; and 7. The Church’s Code of Regulations and all amendments to them currently in effect.

A partner shall be entitled to inspect and copy, at a reasonable time and location specified by the Board of Trustees, any of the church records described above, provided the Board of Trustees finds that the partner has a proper purpose and is acting in good faith. The Board of Trustees may limit access to any records that contain confidential information about a particular person or persons.

Trustees are to be an active partner as described in **ARTICLE III**.

Trustees shall be appointed by the Elders. In the event that a vacancy occurs, it should be the duty of the Elders to appoint a successor to serve.

After serving for three years, all Trustees will be required to take a sabbatical lasting at least one year (Psalm 23:2-3; Hebrews 4:9-11), with approximately no more than one-third (1/3 or 33.33%) of the terms expiring each year. An exception will be made if a minimum of two Trustees cannot be maintained during the sabbatical.

After completion of the sabbatical, the current Elders will interview the Trustee(s) on sabbatical to determine their desire and qualification to return to their office for a three-year term.

Trustees appointed to fill a mid-term vacancy will begin their service at noon on the first day of the month following their appointment. For purposes of the three-year term for the sabbatical requirement, the three-year term will begin at noon on January 1 following their appointment.

**SECTION 6 – LEADERSHIP TEAM.** The Leadership Team is composed of Elders, Deacons, Senior Minister, and Staff (as defined in **ARTICLE IV: SECTION 4**).

**SECTION 7 – BONDS OF LEADERSHIP TEAM AND POSITIONS.** The Elders and Trustees shall determine which Leadership Team partners and positions of the Church shall give bond and the amount thereof. The expense of any bonds so required shall be paid by the Church.

**SECTION 8 – REMOVAL OF ELDERS, DEACONS, AND TRUSTEES.** Upon presenting just cause to an Elder(s) by an active partner of the Church and based upon the recommendation of an Elder(s), an Elder, Deacon, or Trustee may be removed upon a three-fourths (3/4s or 75%) vote of the Board of Elders if the Board of Elders determines that the actions of that person reflect negligence, poor judgment, disrespect, harm, or damage to the character and reputation of the Church. The Elder for whom removal is sought shall not be entitled to vote on their own removal, and thereupon the term of office of such partner who shall have been so removed shall forthwith terminate, creating a vacancy.

## **ARTICLE V: POSITIONS**

**SECTION 1 – TREASURY FUNCTIONS.** The Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and any other stewardship positions shall be selected and appointed by the Elders. These individuals are to be an active partner as described in **ARTICLE III**.

Upon presenting just cause to an Elder(s) by an active partner of the Church and based upon the recommendation of an Elder(s), a person may be removed from performing Treasury functions if the Board of Elders determines that the actions of that person reflect negligence, poor judgment, disrespect, harm, or damage to the character and reputation of the Church.

**SECTION 2 – OTHER POSITIONS.** Other positions will be appointed by the Elders as necessary to fulfill the requirements for the effective operations of the Church.

Upon presenting just cause to an Elder(s) by an active partner of the Church and based upon the recommendation of an Elder(s), a person may be removed from other positions if the Board of Elders determines that the actions of that person reflect negligence, poor judgment, disrespect, harm, or damage to the character and reputation of the Church.

## **ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS**

**SECTION 1 – ANNUAL PARTNERSHIP MEETING.** Commencing in 2013, the annual partnership meeting shall be held the second Sunday of February of each calendar year or at such other date and time as may from time to time be designated by the Elders. The Elders shall preside over this meeting.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide information based on the Church's activities in both the previous and upcoming year, distribute financial reports for

the previous and upcoming year and transact such other business as may legally come before it.

The meeting shall be announced and published via print or online Church publication at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Any number of voting partners of the Church present at this meeting shall constitute a quorum. Proxies shall not count toward a quorum.

**SECTION 2 – SPECIAL PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS.** Special partnership meetings for the purpose of transacting urgent or unusual business may be called by the Elders. The Elders shall preside over these meetings.

The meeting shall be announced and published via print or online Church publication at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Any number of voting partners of the Church present at this meeting shall constitute a quorum. Proxies shall not count toward a quorum.

**SECTION 3 – VOTING IN PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS.** Voting may be by voice, show of hands, or by secret ballot, as deemed appropriate by the presiding Elders. Voting shall be accomplished by one of three procedures as deemed appropriate by the presiding Elders which are described as follows:

- A. A simple majority of votes cast in an officially convened meeting.
- B. A three-fourths (3/4s or 75%) majority of votes cast in an officially convened meeting.
- C. A two-thirds (2/3s or 66.67%) majority of votes cast where all voting partners have an opportunity to vote.

When secret ballots are employed, the ballots shall be distributed, collected, and tabulated by one judge, two tabulators, and one clerk, who are to be selected by the Elders at the partnership meeting from among the active partners present at the meeting. After the ballots are tabulated, they shall be given to the Elders and stored in a secure location within the Church.

Verifiable proxies may be voted, except when secret ballots are required, but proxies shall not be considered in determining the presence of a quorum.

**SECTION 4 – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY.** The rules contained in the current edition of **Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised** shall govern the Church in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Regulations and any special rules of order the Church may adopt.

**SECTION 5 – FISCAL YEAR.** The fiscal year shall include the twelve months from January 1st to the following December 31st. The Church will use the fiscal year as a basis for tax reporting, record keeping, and reporting to the partnership.

## **ARTICLE VII: HIRING SENIOR MINISTER AND STAFF PARTNERS**

**SECTION 1 – SENIOR MINISTER.** In the event of a vacancy, the Elders shall provide for interim preaching until a new Senior Minister is in place at the pulpit. The Elders shall appoint a Ministerial Search Committee consisting of at least five active partners of whom two should be Elders. The Ministerial Search Committee shall fully acquaint themselves with the man to be considered, and after a three-fourths (3/4s or 75%) approval recommend his name to the Leadership Team. His name shall be presented to the congregation only after he has been interviewed by the Leadership Team and approved unanimously by the Elders.

The candidate shall be invited to preach one or more sermons. After these sermons, the Elders will engage in much prayer and deliberation, consult with the Leadership Team and then make a final determination regarding whether or not the candidate shall be recommended to the Church for a vote. If the candidate is recommended to the Church for a vote, the candidate may be called to serve this Church as its Senior Minister by a three-fourths (3/4s or 75%) majority vote of all marked ballots cast by voting partners present in any duly called partnership meeting. All voting shall be by secret ballot of the voting partners present at the meeting and all voting shall be administered as defined in **ARTICLE VI:**

### **SECTION 3.**

The Senior Minister's service may be terminated upon thirty days written notice by either a three-fourths (3/4s or 75%) majority of the Elders or by the Senior Minister. The Senior Minister shall not remain in the pulpit beyond thirty days from the date that his termination or resignation is made known.

**SECTION 2 – ADDITIONAL STAFF PARTNERS.** The Eldership shall determine the hiring process for additional Staff Partners.

Staff Partner(s)'s services may be terminated upon fourteen days written notice by either three-fourths (3/4s or 75%) majority of the Elders and Senior Minister or by the Staff Partner(s).

## **ARTICLE VIII: ELDER AND DEACON SELECTION PROCESS**

**SECTION 1 – NOMINATION.** At any point during the year, nominations for Elder(s) and/or Deacon(s) may be made by active Church partners at least



eighteen years of age. These nominations will be given to any of the current Elders, who will then share them with the full Eldership. No one will be considered for Elder or Deacon who has not been nominated by an active Church partner.

The Eldership will prayerfully review all nominations to determine whether or not to proceed with the selection process outlined in **ARTICLE VIII SECTION 2** (Numbers 27:15-17).

**SECTION 2 – SELECTION PROCESS FOR ELDERS AND DEACONS.** The Elder(s) will approach the candidate to determine their desire for the position (1 Timothy 3:1) of Elder or Deacon.

If the candidate desires the position, the Elders will request two character references from within the active partnership of the Church (1 Timothy 3:2-13) and one from outside the Church (1 Timothy 3:7).

The Elders will interview all three references, followed by an interview with the candidate and spouse (if applicable) (1 Timothy 3:5).

After much prayer and deliberation, the Elders will make a final determination regarding whether or not the nominee will be appointed as an Elder or Deacon (Numbers 27:15-17).

The Elder(s) and/or Deacon(s) term will begin their service at noon on the first day of the month following their appointment. For purposes of the three-year term for the sabbatical requirement, the three-year term will begin at noon on January 1 following their appointment. The first year of service will be a trial term (1 Corinthians 3:10-15; 2 Corinthians 13:5-6). At the end of that year, the Elders will once again interview the Elder or Deacon. After that interview, the Elders will determine whether or not to extend his service for two more years. This will only be required after the first year of the first term of service.

After serving for three years, all Elders and Deacons will be required to take a sabbatical lasting at least one year (Psalm 23:2-3; Hebrews 4:9-11), with approximately no more than one-third (1/3 or 33.33%) of the terms expiring each year. An exception will be made for the Eldership if a minimum of three Elders cannot be maintained during the sabbatical (Deuteronomy 1:13).

After completion of the sabbatical, the current Elders will interview the candidates to determine their desire and qualification to return to their office for a three-year term.

Elder(s) and/or Deacon(s) appointed to fill a mid-term vacancy will begin their service at noon on the first day of the month following their appointment. For

purposes of the three-year term for the sabbatical requirement, the three-year term will begin at noon on January 1 following their appointment.

#### **ARTICLE IX: AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee shall be comprised of Elders and Trustees. The Audit Committee shall not be comprised of anyone affiliated with the treasury functions of this Church. An annual audit will take place in February of each year. The duties include the following:

- A. Verify reconciliation of bank accounts;
- B. Verify bank and loan balances, U.S. Bonds, and other securities;
- C. Check authority for withdrawals from accounts;
- D. Compare full year of deposits with weekly records of receipts;
- E. Check cancelled checks against disbursement records;
- F. Verify tax payments and reports to government agencies.

#### **ARTICLE X: SPECIAL ITEMS**

**SECTION 1 – USAGE OF THE CHURCH CAMPUS.** All internal and external organizations and their activities shall be conducted in accord with the highest Christian standards and shall be under the approval of the Elders.

**SECTION 2 – CHURCH GOVERNANCE.** The Church shall be operated in the congregational style thereby autonomously and independently running its own affairs.

#### **ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS**

Any additions, amendments, or changes to the Code of Regulations shall be presented in writing to the Leadership Team with final approval by the Elders. Such additions and changes must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3s or 66.67%) majority of the Elders.

#### **ARTICLE XII: INDEMNIFICATION**

The Church shall indemnify any person who is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, other than an action by or in the right of the Church, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was an Elder, Deacon, Trustee, officer, employee, partner or agent of the Church, or is or was servicing at the request of the Church, against expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and

reasonable incurred by him or her in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonable believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Church, and with respect to any criminal proceedings, if he or she had no reasonable cause to believe that any conduct was unlawful.

The Church may not indemnify an Elder or Deacon in connection with a proceeding brought against him by or in the right of the Church, in which he was adjudged liable to the Church, or where the Elder or Deacon is charged with receiving an improper personal benefit and he is adjudged liable on that basis.

### **ARTICLE XIII: ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES**

All disputes which may arise (1) between any partner of this Church and the Church itself, or (2) between any partner of this Church and any pastor, officer, director, employee, volunteer, or other worker of this Church, shall be resolved by binding arbitration if efforts to mediate or conciliate the dispute have failed. Either party to the dispute may initiate the arbitration process by filing with the other party a written request for arbitration within a reasonable time after the dispute has arisen and efforts to mediate or conciliate have failed. In such a case, the partner and the Church shall each name an arbitrator, and the two so selected shall name a third. All arbitrators must be partners of the Church. The third arbitrator chosen by the other two shall disclose, before accepting the appointment, any financial or personal interest in the outcome of the arbitration, and any existing or past financial, professional, family, or social relationships which are likely to affect impartiality or which might reasonably create an appearance of partiality or bias.

Either of the parties to the arbitration, on the basis of such disclosures, may disqualify such a candidate from serving as the third arbitrator. A third arbitrator who serves without objection from either party has a continuing duty to disclose relationships or interests which may impair his impartiality. Either party, regardless of the stage of the arbitration process, may on the basis of such disclosures disqualify such a person from further participation. The arbitration process shall not proceed until the third arbitrator is selected. The arbitrators shall appoint the time and place for the hearing and cause notification to the parties to be served personally or by registered mail not less than 30 days before the hearing. Appearance at the hearing waives such notice. The arbitrators may adjourn the hearing from time to time as necessary and, on request of a party and for good cause or upon their own motion, may postpone the hearing to a later date. The arbitrators may hear and determine the controversy upon the evidence produced notwithstanding the failure of a party duly notified to appear. The parties are entitled to be heard, to present evidence material to the controversy, and to cross-examine witnesses appearing at the hearing. The hearing shall be conducted by all the arbitrators, but a majority of them may

determine any question and render a final award. If during the course of the hearing an arbitrator for any reason ceases to act, he shall be replaced in the same manner in which he was originally selected. The arbitrators may in their absolute discretion admit as evidence any affidavit or declaration concerning the matters in dispute, a copy thereof having been given at least five days previously to the party against whom the same is offered, but the person whose evidence is so taken shall be subject to cross-examination by such party. The arbitrators shall have the power to order and direct what they shall deem necessary to be done by either of the parties relating to the matters in dispute. Cost of the arbitration shall be determined and assessed by the arbitrators. Any submission of a dispute to arbitration shall not be revoked by the death of any party to the dispute, and any award will be binding upon such person's heirs and successors. The decision of the arbitrators shall be binding on both parties, and both parties submit themselves to the personal jurisdiction of the civil courts in this state (including federal courts), as well as the courts of any other state which may have jurisdiction over any dispute contemplated by this Article, for the entry of a judgment confirming the arbitrators' award. The arbitration process is not a substitute for any disciplinary process set forth in the Code of Regulations of the Church, and shall in no way affect the authority of the Church to investigate reports of misconduct, conduct hearings, or administer discipline. Any matter not provided for herein shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Arbitration Act. If a dispute may result in an award of monetary damages, then use of this arbitration procedure is conditioned on acceptance of the procedure by the liability insurer of the Church, and the insurer's agreement to honor any arbitration award up to any applicable policy limits.

#### **ARTICLE XIV: DISSOLUTION**

Upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Church, the Eldership will, after paying or making provision for payment of all the liabilities of the Church, distribute all remaining assets to any organization designated by the Eldership which is of like faith and order and is exempt from taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) (or the corresponding provision of any future tax law of the United States).

**NOTE REGARDING CODE OF REGULATIONS:** These Regulations are only made to help conduct the business of the congregation in an orderly fashion. From time-to-time changes may have to be made as the congregation grows and changes, but the Regulations are in no way to be construed as binding above the New Testament Teaching on any matter. These Regulations are intended to be a help, not a hindrance to the local congregation. As set forth in these Regulations, we believe that the Bible is the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice for these partners of this congregation and these Regulations are only to be applied to the business affairs of this congregation.

**At the November 9, 2014 Elders' meeting, the Elders agreed to change ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP to ARTICLE III: PARTNERSHIP and all related "membership", "members", and "member" references to "partnership", "partners", and "partner", respectively. This change is reflected in the above Code of Regulations.**

**At the January 24, 2013 Elders' meeting, the Elders agreed to change the name of the congregation from the Amelia Church of Christ to Connect Christian Church. This change is reflected in the above Code of Regulations.**

**Approved on November 13, 2011 by the Church's eligible voting members at the Annual Congregational Meeting November 13, 2011.**